

EMPIRE STATE **CHILD CARE** SHARE

PILOT PROGRAM

for Families

THREE PARTNERS. ONE SOLUTION.

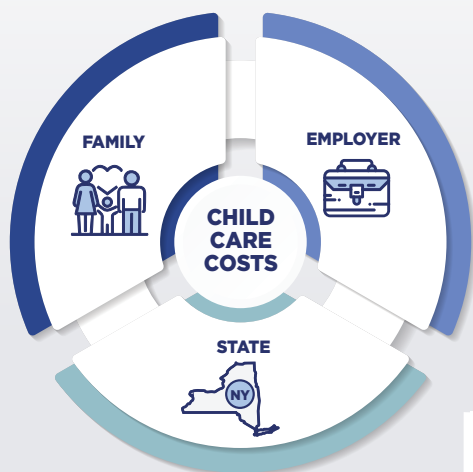
Child care shouldn't take your whole paycheck. **Empire State Child Care Share Pilot Program** helps make quality care affordable by dividing the cost three ways — one-third paid by your family, one-third by your employer, and one-third by New York State.



In the **EMPIRE STATE CHILD CARE SHARE model**, the cost of care is divided equally among three partners.

-  Eligible families pay one-third,
-  employers contribute one-third,
-  and New York State contributes a third.

This simple, shared approach **makes child care more affordable**, strengthens the workforce, and ensures providers are paid fairly.



Empire State Child Care Share Pilot Program

was created to make life easier for working families. With costs shared among three partners, you can focus more on your child — and less on how to pay for care.

- Pay only one-third of your child care costs.
- Keep more of your income for your family's needs.
- Access high-quality, reliable care that supports your child's growth.
- Stay in your job with confidence and peace of mind.

Most working families in New York spend more than a third of their income on child care, making it one of the highest household expenses after housing. The Empire State Child Care Share Model reduces that burden, helping parents stay employed and children thrive in safe, nurturing environments.

You only pay

1/3
of the
total cost

**Fair child care means
you only pay your share.**

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